Green Valley Fire District

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The Honorable Gabrielle Giffords U.S. House of Representatives 502 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Giffords:

The Green Valley Fire District is pleased to offer our support for the Town of Sahuarita's 2011 Appropriations Request for the Sahuarita Road Project. The proposed bridge structure on Sahuarita Road would create faster response time and safer crossing, minimizing conflict with the Union Pacific Rail Road and public traffic.

This project is in the public's best interest and would allow paramedics to respond swiftly in the event of a life threatening event. I respectfully ask your approval for consideration by Congress for the 2011 Appropriation Budget.

Thank you for your consideration. Please do not hesitate to call me, if there are any questions regarding our support of the project.

Sincerely,

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Simon Davis, Fire Chief Green Valley Fire District

cc: Board of Directors file



February 10, 2010

The Honorable Gabrielle Giffords U.S. House of Representatives 502 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Giffords:

Rural/Metro Fire Department is pleased to offer our support for the Town of Sahuarita's 2011 Appropriations Request for the Sahuarita Road Project. The proposed bridge structures on Sahuarita Road would create faster response time and safer crossing, minimizing conflict with the Union Pacific Rail Road and public traffic.

This project is in the public's best interest and could save lives for those in need of immediate medical treatment. I highly recommend your approval for consideration by Congress for the 2011 Appropriation Budget. I would be happy to answer any questions regarding our support of the project.

Sincerely,

Tom Brandhuber, Fire Chief Rural/Metro Fire Department



Town of Sahuarita Police Department

February 10, 2010

The Honorable Gabrielle Giffords U.S. House of Representatives 502 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Giffords:

As Acting Police Chief for the Town of Sahuarita, I would like to go on record as supporting the Town of Sahuarita's 2011 Appropriations Request for \$14,000,000, for the grade separated crossing bridge structure over the railroad tracks at the intersection of Nogales Highway and Sahuarita Road.

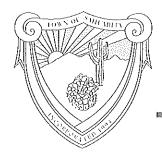
This improvement will make the intersection much safer for vehicular and pedestrian travel. It will also facilitate quicker response to emergency situations. This intersection provides the only access to a significant number of our citizens that reside along the Sahuarita Road corridor. I would urge you to give careful consideration of this request.

Sincerely

James Gerrettie, Acting Chief of Police

Sahuarita Police Department

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Town of Sahuarita Office of the Mayor and Council

February 16, 2010

The Honorable Gabrielle Giffords U.S. House of Representatives 502 Cannon House Office building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Giffords:

On behalf of the Town of Sahuarita, I solidly support the Town of Sahuarita's Appropriations Request for the grade separated crossing over the Union Pacific Railroad at the Sahuarita Road/Nogales Highway intersection. This bridge crossing is not possible to achieve with our current funding sources; however, it is an important transportation issue that needs to be resolved. The realization of a project like this will enhance the eastern entry to the Town and bolster the town's economic development planning efforts to be successful over the long term. Most importantly, the bridge crossing over the railroad tracks allows for faster response time for emergency responders, as well as, overall improved safety conditions for drivers through that intersection.

Please give this project serious thought for Appropriations funding. If I may provide additional information, please email me at lskelton@ci.sahuarita.az.us. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely

Lynne Skelton

Mayor



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Office of the Superintendent

February 10, 2010

The Honorable Gabrielle Giffords U.S. House of Representatives 502 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Giffords:

The Sahuarita Unified School District strongly supports the Town of Sahuarita's request for \$14,000,000 for a grade separated crossing bridge structure over the Union Pacific railroad tracks at the intersection of Sahuarita Road and Nogales Highway. Plans are underway to build a second high school approximately two miles east of this intersection, just north of Sahuarita Road. It is critical for emergency responders to be able to have quick access heading through this intersection either to or from any potential emergency that may occur with respect to children once the new high school is built.

Sahuarita Road east of Nogales Highway will continue to grow, both residentially and commercially, with the road improvements that are currently underway when our new high school is completed in 2010. Because of this, it is essential to have the undelayed access through the intersection that a grade separated crossing bridge would provide.

This project is very important for the safety of families and children that will be at risk if the crossing bridge is not constructed. I respectfully ask that you give serious consideration to this important project.

Respectfully.

Jay C. St. John, Ed.D.

Superintendent of Schools



Arizona Department of Transportation

Office of the Director
206 South Seventeenth Avenue Phoenix, Arizona 85007-3213

February 16, 2010

John A. Bogert Chief of Operations

John McGee Executive Director for Planning & Policy

The Honorable Gabrielle Giffords U.S. House of Representatives 1728 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congresswoman Giffords:

The Arizona Department of Transportation is pleased to support the Town of Sahuarita's request for discretionary transportation appropriation funding in Federal Fiscal Year 2011, for the proposed grade separated crossing bridge over the Union Pacific Railroad tracks.

The Sahuarita Road corridor from La Villita to Country Club Road is the eastern gateway to the town of Sahuarita. The proposed grade-separated crossing would create safer access for first responders in the event of an emergency. Since current funding is not available for this type of improvement, appropriations funding is necessary to provide a safer, more efficient roadway for the Town of Sahuarita and those who visit the area.

Sincerely,

John S. Halikowski



COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

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C.H. HUCKELBERRY County Administrator

February 19, 2010

The Honorable Gabrielle Giffords U.S. House of Representatives 1728 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Giffords:

Pima County is pleased to offer our support for the Town of Sahuarita's 2011 Appropriations Request for the Sahuarita Road/Nogales Highway grade separated crossing bridge. This region would benefit greatly from a project that stands to improve access for police and firefighters. In the event of an emergency, residents and businesses east of Nogales Highway are directly impacted by a train delaying access by emergency responders.

This project is in the public's best interest and could save lives for those in need of immediate medical treatment. I strongly recommend your approval for consideration by Congress for the 2011 Appropriation Budget.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

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Sincerely,

C.H. Huckelberry County Administrator

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